

Massachusetts Cultural Resource Information System

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Inventory No:	EAS.93
Historic Name:	Doane, T. House
Common Name:	Billingsgate House
Address:	300R Nauset Rd
City/Town:	Eastham
Village/Neighborhood:	Eastham Center
Local No:	12-314
Year Constructed:	r 1840
Architect(s):	
Architectural Style(s):	No style
Use(s):	Agricultural; Single Family Dwelling House
Significance:	Agriculture; Archaeology, Historic; Architecture
Area(s):	
Designation(s):	
Building Materials(s):	Roof: Cedar Shingle; Asphalt Shingle Wall: Wood Shingle; Wood Foundation: Brick



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FORM B - BUILDING

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Assessor's
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Area(s)

Form Number

93

Town

Eastham

(neighborhood or village)

300R Nauset Road

ic Name

Present Residential

Original "

f Construction Between 1830 & 1858

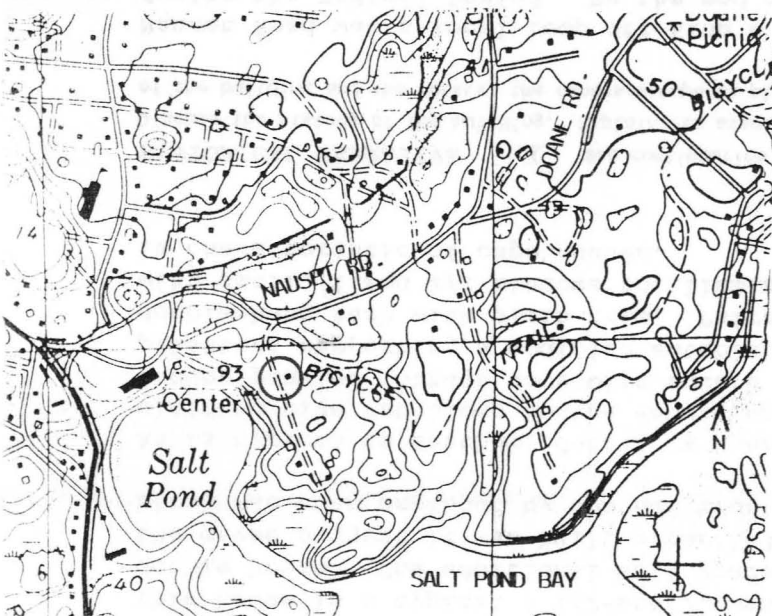
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Form Center-chimney, Full Cape Cod
House Form

ect/Builder

or Material:

here. Indicate North.



Foundation Brick

Wall/Trim Shingles

Roof Cedar Shingles (Main Block)
Asphalt Shingles (Rear Ell)

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures

Major Alterations (with dates)

Condition Good

Moved ☒ no ☐ yes Date

Acreage 4.4 Acres

Setting Located in a sparsely-settled,
rural area on a long, private drive way
off Nauset Road.

Recorded by: Dianne L. Siergiej
and Sanford Johnson
Organization: Commonweal Collaborative

Date: August 1995

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BUILDING FORM

300R Nauset Road

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION See continuation sheet.

Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings within the community.

This house is a typical 1 1/2-story, center-chimney, full Cape Cod house or double house. The additional wall space between the tops of the windows and the eaves suggest it was built after 1830. The rectangular, 5 x 2-bay, main block has been expanded by the addition of a perpendicular, 1-story, rear ell.

As is typical to Eastham, detail is sparse, limited to end boards, boxed, plain cornice set close to the eaves, narrow frieze and a center entry of wooden paneled cottage door with square light in a surround of simple pilasters supporting a modified entablature. Fenestration consists of 9/6, double-hung sash with plain trim. Paired, 6/6 windows center the side gables with small, fixed 2/2 windows to illuminate the corners of the upper floor as is characteristic of cape houses.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE X See continuation sheet.

Discuss the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building and the role(s) the owners/occupants played within the community.

Nauset Road was a local loop off King's Highway in the north of Eastham built during the Federal Period. By the end of the 1700's, a windmill was located at the west shore of Salt Pond. That mill may be the one moved to Eastham Center. On the 1831 map of Eastham, another windmill is indicated further north on the west side of Nauset Road. These structures indicate a developed agricultural presence at the southern end of Nauset Road. By 1831, a small hamlet was in place at the junction of Nauset Road and King's Highway which included at least one commercial establishment. A school was also located in the neighborhood just south of the windmill. The windmill, which had been run by Isaiah Gill and Freeman Horton, was out of operation and dismantled by 1865.

Limited information exists on this house. A few notes about this property are included in the file at the Eastham Historical Society Archives for the nearby house at 310R Nauset Road. They indicate this dwelling is one of the several houses on Nauset Road owned by various members of the Doane Family. All were descendants of Deacon John Doane, one of the founders of Nauset (Eastham). Deed research will be necessary to confirm information on the property.

Local maps also associate this property with the Doane Family. On the 1858 map of Eastham, it is attributed to Mrs. T. Doane. R. Doane is listed at the site on the 1880 and 1908 maps of Eastham. The only R. Doane referenced in local, secondary sources is Russell Doane, who is listed as a farmer "off Doane Road" (this section is now part of Nauset Road) in the 1901 Eastham directory. He may also have worked as a surfman at the Nauset Life Saving Station. It may have been Russell who named the residence

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES X See continuation sheet.

 X Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places;
If checked, see attached National Register Criteria Statement form.

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

300~~R~~ Nauset Road
Eastham

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HISTORICAL NARRATIVE (continued)

Billingsgate House around the turn of the twentieth century. Deyo references Russell Doane (b. 1837), the son of Isaiah and Temperance Knowles Doane (Mrs. T. Doane above?) and the sixth generation descendant of John Doane, who was a sailor and subsequently employed at the Life Saving Station. He married Lucinda A. Paine. Documentation of this house by the Historic American Building Survey provides only a photograph, but no text. It does, however, identify the property as the Isaiah Doane House, but likely on the basis of the owner's attribution.

The house remained in the Doane family until 1960 when neighboring summer residents acquired it. The remains of two foundations exist in the back of the house. One is a large, stone, foundation in the rear; the other is a smaller, round, brick foundation which suggests the typical Cape Cod cellar.

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Community: Eastham
Property Address: 300R Nauset Road

EAS.93

Area Form No. 93

National Register of Historic Places Criteria Statement

Check all that apply:

☒ Individually eligible ☐ Eligible only in a historic district
☐ Contributing to a potential historic district ☐ Potential historic district

Criteria: ☒ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D

Criteria Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Statement of Significance by: Dianne L. Siergiej
The criteria that are checked in the above sections must be justified here.

The property at 300R Nauset Road is significant on a local level with regard to the above-referenced criteria as one of the best preserved examples of the rare full Cape Cod house form (double house) in Eastham. It is also significant for its long association with the Doane family, descendants of John Doane, one of the founders of Nauset (Eastham) who built several houses along the northern end of Nauset Marsh. This property remained in the Doane family until 1960.

Original yellow form: Eligibility file _____
Copies: Inventory form _____
Town file(w/corresp.) _____
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NR director _____

EAS. 93

Community: Eastham

MHC OPINION: ELIGIBILITY FOR NATIONAL REGISTER

Date Received:

Date Due:

Date Reviewed: 12/6/95

Type: ☒ Individual

☐ District (Attach map indicating boundaries)

Name:

Inventory Form: 93

Address: 300R Nauset Road

Requested by: Eastham Historical Commission

Action: ☒ Honor ☐ ITC ☐ Grant ☐ R & C ☐ Other:

Agency:

Staff in charge of Review:

INDIVIDUAL PROPERTIES

☐ Eligible
☐ Eligible, also in district
☐ Eligible only in district
☐ Ineligible
☒ More information needed

DISTRICTS

☐ Eligible
☐ Ineligible
☐ More information needed

CRITERIA: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D

LEVEL: ☐ Local ☐ State ☐ National

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE by Mark Verkennis

Additional information is needed to evaluate the significance of this property and its eligibility for National Register listing. Although the inventory form indicates the property is a well-preserved example of the full Cape Cod house in Eastham, additional photographic documentation clearly showing the principal facade (and other elevations) is needed to assess its integrity. The date of the 1-story rear ell, and information on any other modifications to the property over time would also be helpful. Like many properties in this part of Eastham, 300R Nauset Road is associated with the Doane family. While the property's initial association with the Doane family is unclear, the fact that it remained in the Doane family from the mid 19th century to 1960 is significant.